

*In the Abstract, please amend as follows:*

Pilot fuel ~~being~~-injected from fuel injection ports 21 of a pilot nozzle 2 bumps against an inner wall surface of ~~the~~a tapered portion of ~~the~~an inner circumference of a cone 41 of a pilot cone 4. At this time, the position where ~~the~~a pilot fuel from the fuel injection ports 21 hits is located in ~~the~~a range from ~~the~~a middle of the tapered portion of the inner circumference of a cone 41 to ~~the~~a downstream-side tip thereof.